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INFO AMCONSUL HONG KONG

C O N F I D E N T I A L PEKING 2447

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR CH

SUBJECT: DEATH OF KANG SHENG

REF: STATE 298325; PEKING 2424

1. THE CHINESE, IN CONTRAST TO THEIR HANDLING OF TUNG PI-WU'S DEATH LAST APRIL, DID NOT OFFER USLO OPPORTUNITY TO SIGN BOOK OF CONDOLENCES ON DEATH OF KANG SHENG. BOOK WAS OPEN FROM 0900 TO 1200 ON THE MORNING OF DECEMBER 19. WE LEARNED OF THIS WHEN MFA SENT WRITTEN NOTIFICATION TO EMBASSIES THE MORNING BEFORE, BUT MFA DID NOT NOTIFY USLO AT ALL. SINCE WE BROUGHT TO USLO CHINESE EMPLOYEES' ATTENTION, ON THE 18TH AND MORNING OF THE 19TH, THE ABSENCE OF ANY WORD FROM MFA, WE CONCLUDE THAT PRC'S FAILURE TO NOTIFY US WAS DELIBERATE. IN VIEW OF THIS, AND OF CONSIDERATIONS NOTED IN REFTEL B, WE DECIDED NOT TO SEEK THE OPPORTUNITY TO SIGN.

2. THOUGH WE WERE NOT OFFICIALLY INFORMED OF THE FACT, THE PRC HAS IN EFFECT DECREED OFFICIAL MOURNING FOR KANG. WE HAVE LOWERED THE FLAG TO HALF-MAST (IN ACCORDANCE WITH 2 FAM AND LOCAL DIPLOMATIC USAGE.)

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